

witness testimony must be filed no later than three days before the hearing. In addition, any person who has not entered an appearance as a party to the investigation may submit a written statement of information pertinent to the subject of the investigation on or before April 8, 1996. On April 26, 1996, the Commission will make available to parties all information on which they have not had an opportunity to comment. Parties may submit final comments on this information on or before May 1, 1996, but such final comments must not contain new factual information, or comment on information disclosed prior to the filing of posthearing briefs, and must otherwise comply with section 207.29 of the Commission's rules. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's rules; any submissions that contain BPI must also conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the Commission's rules, each document filed by a party to the investigation must be served on all other parties to the investigation (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: This investigation is being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.20 of the Commission's rules.

Issued: December 13, 1995.

By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke,

*Secretary.*

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#### Notice of Closure of Commission Offices Due to Furlough

**AGENCY:** International Trade Commission.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is providing notice to the public that its offices will be closed on Friday, December 22, 1995, because agency personnel will be on furlough. All filings due on that date will be due on Tuesday, December 26, 1995.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Donna R. Koehnke, Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone 202-205-2000. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on the matter can be

obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810.

Issued: December 15, 1995.

By order of the Chairman:

Donna R. Koehnke,

*Secretary.*

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#### Notice of Closure of Commission Offices Due to Furlough

**AGENCY:** International Trade Commission.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is providing notice to the public that its offices will be closed on Friday, December 29, 1995, because agency personnel will be on furlough. All filings due on that date will be due on Tuesday, January 2, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Donna R. Koehnke, Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone 202-205-2000. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on the matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810.

Issued: December 15, 1995.

By order of the Chairman:

Donna R. Koehnke,

*Secretary.*

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#### INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

[Ex Parte No. 290 (Sub No. 5) (96-1)]

#### Quarterly Rail Cost Adjustment Factor

**AGENCY:** Interstate Commerce Commission.

**ACTION:** Approval of rail cost adjustment factor and decision.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission has approved a first quarter 1996 rail cost adjustment factor (RCAF) and cost index filed by the Association of American Railroads. The first quarter RCAF (Unadjusted) is 1.066. The first quarter RCAF (Adjusted) is 0.782, a decrease of 2.6% from the fourth quarter 1995 RCAF (Adjusted). Maximum first quarter 1996 RCAF rate levels may not exceed 97.4% of maximum fourth quarter 1995 rate levels.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Robert C. Hasek, (202) 927-6239 or H.

Jeff Warren, (202) 927-6243. TDD for the hearing impaired: (202) 927-5721.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional information is contained in the Commission's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision write to, call, or pick up in person from: DC NEWS & DATA, INC., Room 2229, Interstate Commerce Commission Building, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423, or telephone (202) 289-4357/4359. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD services (202) 927-5721.]

This action will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or energy conservation.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 605(b), we conclude that our action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Decided: December 12, 1995.

By the Commission, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Owen, and Commissioner Simmons.

Vernon A. Williams,

*Secretary.*

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#### [Finance Docket No. 32816]

#### Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority—Exemption—From 49 U.S.C. Subtitle IV<sup>1</sup>

**SUMMARY:** On our own motion the Interstate Commerce Commission exempts the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority from the requirements of 49 U.S.C. Subtitle IV in connection with its acquisition of 2.5 miles of railroad from the Chicago and North Western Railway Company.

**DATES:** This exemption will be effective January 19, 1996. Petitions to stay must be filed by January 4, 1996. Petitions for reconsideration must be filed by January 16, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Send pleadings referring to Finance Docket No. 32816 to: (1) Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, Interstate Commerce Commission,<sup>2</sup> 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423; and (2)

<sup>1</sup> This proceeding is embraced in Chicago and North Western Transportation Company Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service Exemption In Hennepin County, MN, Docket No. AB-1 (Sub-No. 252X).

<sup>2</sup> Legislation to sunset the Commission on December 31, 1995, and transfer remaining functions is now under consideration in Congress. Until further notice, parties submitting pleadings should continue to use the current name and address.